

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's
2012-2013 Electricity Supply Tracker

IN THE MATTER OF NorthWestern Energy's
2013-2014 Electricity Supply Tracker

REGULATORY DIVISION

Docket Nos. D2013.5.33, D2014.5.46

**MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER AND SIERRA CLUB'S
MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEDURAL ORDER**

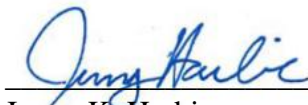
Montana Environmental Information Center and Sierra Club (collectively, "MEIC") respectfully request a suspension of the procedural order in this docket pending NorthWestern's responses to MEIC's set one and set two data requests. NorthWestern's responses to both sets referenced a forthcoming motion by Siemens—a third party contractor—for a protective order to maintain confidentiality of key documents in this case. Without these documents, MEIC is unable to evaluate the need for additional data requests. In addition, NorthWestern filed objections to a number of MEIC's set two data requests, to which MEIC intends to respond in the coming days. In order to allow the Commission time to resolve these disputes and to preserve the intervenors' opportunity to review NorthWestern's responses in advance of the deadline for serving data requests, MEIC asks that the procedural order be suspended.

MEIC further requests that all parties be consulted to establish a new schedule once the Commission resolves the objections to MEIC's set 1 and set 2 data requests.

The undersigned counsel consulted with counsel for NorthWestern, which does not object to a suspension of the procedural order to deal with the Siemens' protective order and any documents that may be produced after such protective order is adjudicated. With respect to

developing a new procedural order, NorthWestern states: “NorthWestern does not oppose a 12-day extension for MEIC/Sierra Club to ask additional data requests regarding those documents that will be provided following the Commission’s determination on the forthcoming Siemens’ protective order so long as NorthWestern’s deadline to respond to such data requests is the same as is provided for under the current Procedural Order in this docket. NorthWestern opposes all other requests for extensions from the MEIC/Sierra Club.”

Respectfully submitted on this 11th day of November, 2014,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 11th day of November, 2014, I served the foregoing “MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION CENTER AND SIERRA CLUB’S MOTION TO SUSPEND PROCEDURAL ORDER” by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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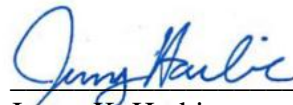
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